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OPEN CALL & OVERVIEW

WHY DOES #ASEFYLS MATTER?

The ASEF Young Leaders Summit (ASEFYLS) is the to-go-place for young people willing to un-learn, re-learn and learn new concepts, strategies and actions on how to create sustainable impact in society.

ASEFYLS is an experiential platform for Asian and European students and young professionals that adapts a 360° approach on leadership development. ASEFYLS recognises that leadership takes place across all spectrum in society: at home, in lecture halls, in board rooms, within the community as well as from the streets up to the political arena. Leadership is for those who are determined to take a leap by asking questions, thinking critically, action-planning and collaborating.

ASEFYLS takes place alongside the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Summits, where Heads of States from the 51 ASEM partner countries, the EU and the ASEAN Secretariat meet to discuss the status and future of Asia-Europe relations¹.

The ASEFYLS is based on 5 pillars:

#knowledge_stretching

Development of fresh and rewarding insights to equip both recognised and unsung young leaders with a tool-kit for action

#action_oriented

Commitments and co-creation of spin-off activities linked to leadership and sustainable development in local communities

#network_based

Space for networking among youth, community leaders, responsible business leaders, thought provoking academics and policy-makers

#leadership_exchange

Opportunity for participation of ASEFYLS participants in the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Summit and relevant Ministers' Meetings

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The Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) is an informal process of dialogue and cooperation bringing together the 28 European Union member states, 2 other European countries, and the European Union with 21 Asian countries and the ASEAN Secretariat. The ASEM dialogue addresses political, economic and cultural issues, with the objective of strengthening the relationship between the two regions, in a spirit of mutual respect and equal partnership. For more information on ASEM: www.aseminfoboard.org

Leadership, as defined within the context of ASEFYLS, is the ability to lead a group of people and/or organisation & to showcase a behaviour that sets an example. Ethical, as used within the framework of ASEFYLS, is understood as a decision-making process that respects and care for others, the environment and the society as a whole.

#reciprocity_focused

Joint learning and sharing of time, talent & resources beyond the ASEFYLS framework for greater impact

Have a look at the [visual testimony](#) of the 1st ASEFYLS on “Entrepreneurship and Youth Employment” in 2015 in Luxembourg that supported the [12th ASEM Foreign Ministers' Meeting \(ASEM FMM12\)](#) and the [5th ASEM Labour and Employment Ministers' Conference \(ASEM LEMC5\)](#).

Also check out the [outcomes](#) from the 2nd ASEFYLS edition on “Access to Youth Employment” in 2017 in Korea, which contributed to the [7th ASEM Economic Ministers' Meeting \(ASEM EMM7\)](#).

WHAT IS #ASEFYLS3?

The [3rd ASEM Young Leaders Summit \(ASEFYLS3\)](#) will take place in conjunction with the [12th ASEM Summit \(ASEM12\)](#) on 15-19 October 2018 in Brussels, Belgium. ASEFYLS3 focuses on Ethical Leadership, the human-centred form of responsible leadership, and aims to dismantle and re-assemble the concept thereof: in the context of self-leadership, team leadership and societal leadership.

But how can one distinguish between a leader and an ethical leader? Does it show in the decision-making process or the impact of the decision taken? And how shall one navigate between diverse and competing values and expectations, from a micro to a macro scale. ASEFYLS3 aims to nourish ethically literate leaders by providing a platform for reflection, dialogue and practice.

ASEFYLS3 focuses on values and challenges of ethical leadership embedded in 11 spheres:

1. Culture
2. Economy
3. Education
4. Environment
5. Family
6. Finance
7. Media
8. Politics
9. Religion and spirituality
10. Science and technology
11. Sports

The 4-day conference will conclude with an “ASEFYLS3 Call for Action & Commitments on Ethical Leadership”.

ASEFYLS3 is preceded by 2 [ASEFYLS Navigators Trainings](#) in Pune, India and Warsaw, Poland respectively. The trainings serve as a springboard and capacity building opportunity for the youth facilitators who will guide the ASEFYLS3 participants during on-site discussions and spin-off activity preparations.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

The ASEFYLS3 programme consists of 3 stages:

1. Online preparatory phase

First glimpse into the 11 thematic angles through knowledge-tickling webinars, individual and group tasks linked to leadership and collaboration techniques

2. (a) 4-Day Conference in Brussels, Belgium

Deep-dive into the topic, intense exchange of insights and ideas in plenary sessions, small-group discussions, as well as action-plan development, interactive mentorship and workshop sessions

(b) Connections with the 12th ASEM Summit (ASEM12)

One-to-one meetings between ASEFYLS3 representatives and Heads of States and Delegates of ASEM12

3. Spin-off activities

Implementation of committed spin-off activities by ASEFYLS3 participants across Asian and European Communities.

RESULTS OF #ASEFYLS3 FEED INTO

ASEM Ministerial Meetings and ASEM activities:

[12th ASEM Summit \(ASEM12\)](#), 18-19 October 2018, Brussels, Belgium

ASEF Projects:

[ASEFYLS Navigators Training](#), 16-20 May 2018, Pune, India & 10-14 July 2018, Warsaw Poland
In Partnership with [Symbiosis International \(Deemed University\)](#) & [College of Europe Natolin Campus](#)

[22nd ASEF Summer University \(ASEFSU22\)](#), August-September 2018, Croatia and Slovenia

APPLY HERE!

Deadline: Sunday, 20 May 2018, 23:59 GMT

#FASTFACTS

WHEN & WHERE?

15-19 October 2018 Brussels, Belgium

In conjunction with the [12th ASEM Summit \(ASEM12\)](#)

FOR WHOM

Citizens of any of the [51 Asia-Europe Meeting \(ASEM\) partner countries](#)

Young professionals and students between 18-30 years of age

Strong command on English (verbal and written)

SELECTION

150 participants selected through an Open Call.

The Open Call and the screening process will ensure a non-discriminative approach assuring an even geographic representation, gender balance and fair access to the opportunity for all.

COSTS

No registration or participation fee for the selected participants. Accommodation, meals and travel subsidy will be provided.

KNOW MORE!

For further information check out the [FAQ](#)

For other questions, drop us an email: asefyls@asef.org

ORGANISED BY

The Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) promotes understanding, strengthens relationships and facilitates cooperation among the people, institutions and organisations of Asia and Europe. ASEF enhances dialogue, enables exchanges and encourages collaboration across the thematic areas of culture, education, governance, sustainable development, economy and public health. ASEF is an intergovernmental not-for-profit organisation located in Singapore. Founded in 1997, it is the only institution of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM). ASEF runs more than 25 projects a year, consisting of around 100 activities, mainly conferences, seminars, workshops, lectures, publications, and online platforms, together with about 125 partner organisations. Each year over 3,000 Asians and Europeans participate in ASEF's activities, and much wider audiences are reached through its various events, networks, and web-portals. For more information, please visit www.ASEF.org

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